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NOTIFICATION

OF

DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

This notification is in response to applicants' "Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)," filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 10 July 2002.

In the decision mailed 02 July 2002, applicants were required to submit the complete declarations as executed by the inventors. Applicants submitted two copies of the same pages 1-3 along with the differing pages numbered "4." It is noted that both pages 3 contain the signature of Lucas Lopez, dated 21 June 2001, but only one page 4 contains the signature of Richard Cirincione, dated 19 June 2001.

Applicants are required to submit an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b) within a time limit of **ONE (1) MONTH** from the mail date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Decision on Petition Under 37 CFR 1.137(b) mailed on 02 July 2002, whichever is longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a), but the period for response set in the Decision on Petition may be extended up to a maximum of five months. Any request for reconsideration of this decision should include a cover letter entitled "Response to Notification of Defective Response."

The application remains **ABANDONED**.

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box PCT, Washington, D.C. 20231, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.

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